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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116  
EXPEDITED EXAMINING PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 2879  
PATENT APPLICATION  
Q78597**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Michio TAKAGAKI, *et al.*

Appln. No.: 10/717,896

Group Art Unit: 2879

Confirmation No.: 7385

Examiner: Christopher M. Raabe

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For: MERCURY-FREE ARC TUBE FOR DISCHARGE LAMP UNIT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 13, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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